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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's request in the Office Communication mailed June 24, 1998, and to correct several typographical errors in the Specification and several of the amended claims, as well as the misnumbering of sequence identification numbers in the Amendment of November 24, 1998, Applicants submit herewith the required paper copy and computer readable copy of the Substitute Sequence Listing. Please amend the specification in adherence with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825 as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 10, line 15, insert --(SEQ ID NO:1)-- after "YRG".

On page 10, line 23, insert --(SEQ ID NO:1)-- after "YRG".

On page 11, line 11, replace "Figure 4C" with --Figure 4E--.